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Mayor McGroarty meets with President Clinton

• Mayor Tom McGroarty is genuinely concerned with helping disaster stricken families rebuild after the Flood of '96.

By ERIC FREELAND

Beacon Staff Writer

Have you seen Wilkes-Barre Mayor Tom McGroarty lately?

In the four weeks since his inauguration, he has plowed the city's snow covered streets, sand-bagged the dike to prevent river flooding, and even met with President Clinton.

According to the mayor, his role in the community is not in vain, but to show that he is taking an active role in dealing with the needs of the city's residents.

Currently, the most pressing need of the community is providing disaster relief from the Flood of '96.

"The mayor's motto is customer service," says

Shannon McNulty, McGroarty's Community Relations Coordinator. "The mayor wants to be out with the people every day making sure their needs are met."

A good example of this is McGroarty's visit with President Clinton.

On Saturday, the mayor met with Clinton for a few minutes to discuss Wilkes-Barre's recovery from the flood.

The city estimates the cost of blizzard and flood damage at \$8 million. This figure is based upon the cost of snow removal, man power, sandbagging, property cleanup, pot-hole repairs, and the cleaning of creek beds.

One way the city would like to pay its repairs is through monetary aid from the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Since the flood, officials from FEMA have visited the Wilkes-Barre communities effected by flooding and assessed the damage. People who need to make repairs to their property can apply to FEMA for aid.

Besides FEMA, the mayor asked President Clinton and Henry Cisneros, Secretary of the Housing and Urban Development Committee to lift the restrictions on funds for

the Office of Community Development.

The Office of Community Development is an agency that assists low income areas. The restrictions on the agency govern that 70 percent of the money received from the federal government must be invested in poor communities.

However, Wilkes-Barre wants the restrictions lifted so it can use the money to pay for the raising of creek walls to protect low lying neighborhoods. By doing this, the city

is taking a proactive step in flood prevention.

In a recent press conference, McGroarty says, "If areas keep being damaged by flooding, they will eventually become economically unstable and unsafe to live."

Harvey Ryland, Deputy Director of FEMA, thinks prevention is key when communities are rebuilding after a natural disaster.

Ryland says, when FEMA evaluates how much money to give to municipalities, its

decision is based upon a communities willingness to build means of prevention. By doing this, the damage from the next storm will not be so severe.

In Wilkes-Barre's case, federal government officials are impressed by the city's quick action on issues and its desire to improve itself now, before the next flood hits.

Does women's basketball get the credit it deserves?

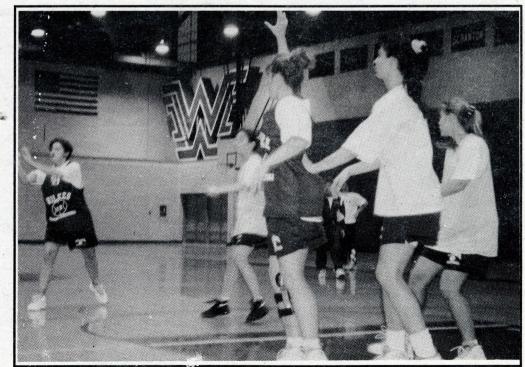


Photo by Meghan LaVigna

The team showed their determination to succeed at this morning's 6:45 am practice.

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Flashback

These events took place in which year?

1965

- Jack Ruby was convicted by Dallas, Texas jury of the murder of Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of Pres. John F. Kennedy.
- •The Beatles arrived at Kennedy Airport in NY for the start of their first U.S. musical tour.
- The closing of schools to avoid desegregation was ruled unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.
- •The Nobel Peace Prize was awarded to the Rev, Martin Luther King Jr., civil rights leader.
- · James R. Hoffa, Pres. of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, was found guilty of tampering with a federal jury.

Look on page 4 for the answer to this week's Flashback.

-All information taken from The Encyclopedia of American Facts and Dates, 9th ed., **Gorton Carruth**

Student hopes to get others interested in recycling

· A Wilkes University student has been appointed to help boost the popularity of the recycling program among the students on campus.

By MICHAEL BEACHEM Beacon Staff Writer

Some students sit back and watch, while others take action.

ing major; Rob Frederick has developed a strong concern for the Wilkes University community and is, in fact, taking action about the way we are disposing of our campus waste materials.

Recently campus security Chief Gerald Cookus appointed Frederick to a work study program that would enable him to implement a productive recycling program on campus.

Cookus says students can expect to see the changes within the next 2-3 months.

Frederick has already received information from DEP, EPA and private recycling institutions that have given him insight on recycling programs Environmental engineer- that may work at Wilkes.

One of the problems that has occurred in the past is; plastic bins that were provided for recycling were stolen. Frederick and Cookus are looking into purchasing weighted down bins, similar to those found in COB student lounge.

"One of the issues that we are facing is the fact that, because we are a private organization; we are not receiving the funds that state colleges and universities gain to provide efficient recycling programs," said Cookus.

Frederick plans to use the money that is raised from initial recycling to purchase recycling bins for all buildings on campus; academic and residential. There will be a special fund set up for this money.

After transferring to Wilkes this past fall, Frederick was amazed that the Wilkes student body was not interested in recycling, even though Wilkes University has a well established Environmental Science program.

Cookus reminds students that "to make a recycling program work, we need the cooperation of the entire Wilkes community."

Frederick said that he first became involved with efforts to improve Wilkes recycling when he joined the Environmental Club.

Along with Jessica Wisser, president of the Environmental Club, they developed the temporary recycling center that is located as you enter Stark Learning Center by the loading dock.

Frederick and Wisser encourage students to come to the Environmental Club meetings which are held every other Tuesday in room 434 of Stark at 11:30 am.

The next meeting will be on February 6th and Wisser reminds Beacon readers "... and there will be FREE food."

Don't forget to recycle!!

Security Corner

CRIMINAL MISCHIEF:

On January 14, 1996, at approximately 2:45 am, a security officer noticed that the glass was broken out of the door going into Dirksen Hall in Pickering.

THEFT:

On January 22, 1996, between 5:00 pm and 6:30 pm, a varsity letterman jacket and a set of keys was stolen from the weight room area of the Marts Center. The keys were later recovered, but the jacket is still missing.

THEFT:

Between January 22 and January 27, 1996, \$60 (three \$20 bills) and a quantity of Seldane asthma medication was taken from a room in Warner Hall in Pickering.

THEFT:

On January 26, 1996, a wallet and its contents was stolen from Kirby Hall.

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Battle of the Bulge

How many of you made a New Year's resolution that starting January 1, you would lose 20 pounds by spring break? And on New Year's Day, how many of you actually awoke at dawn, tried to jog around the block, but only found yourself panting heavily, gasping for air?

On New Year's Eve, I was one of those people who imagined herself in the Cancun sunshine approximately 20 pounds lighter. New Year's Day came and went. I lay on my bed too hung over and too tired to even reach for a glass of water.

Even once school started I figured, "Ok, this can still be done. I can lose 20 pounds by May 2. How hard can it be?" Little did I know that becoming a size 5/6 could be so challenging. Right now I'm more miserable than I am thin.

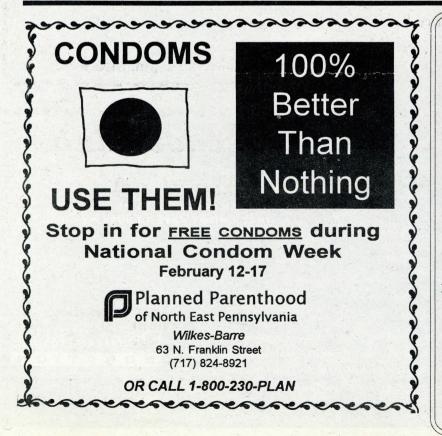
Week after week I flip through magazines. According to "the pros," dieting is easy. But when I'm glancing through with my *Mademoiselles* and my *Cosmopolitans*, all I want to do is strangle the person who made Calvin Klein jeans so damn formfitting. Unrealistic ads scream, "lose 20 pounds in two weeks." And even dad is dieting. The Cybergenics program he's on says he has to eat every three hours. How is that possible without quitting his job and ruining his social life? So he gives me diet books and fitness magazines saying, "Here, these may help."

I'm not sure about you, but those articles that say you can eat "ten satisfying snacks for under 80 calories" just don't do the trick. I want food — real food! Hamburgers, french fries, ice cream and chocolate. You know...all those delicious foods. But it's a minute on the lips, and a lifetime on the hips.

And let's not forget about television. That girl in the bikini. The one holding the diet coke can. She's thin, she's beautiful, she's perfect. But she's not me! Is it really fair?

Don't get me wrong. I'm not against dieting and I'm certainly not trying to depress any of you. Basically, I'm relaying dieting the way I see it.

My advice to you. Enjoy those McDonald's quarter pounders. Even if you eat four to seven of them. If you like the french fries, eat them too. You're only young once. And when you're 40, then worry about the cholestrol intake. Until then, grab a hershey bar and go for an occasional walk. Either way it'll do you good.



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Letter to the editor-

Dear Editor.

Imagine waking up 7 o'clock Saturday morning hearing fire engines down the street. The megaphones seem to be saying something that vaguely sounds like the word "evacuate." The phone rings — it's your parents. Your mom says: "Wilkes evacuated last night to College Misericordia. Why are you still in your dorm? Don't panic, we'll come get you."

Wilkes evacuated from 12:30- 2:00 am early Saturday morning. If as Tim Stank reported to *The Beacon*, the residence assistance staff did all they could to be sure everyone was safely evacuated, I would not have been left behind in Sullivan Hall. I know that resident assistants both have keys to the dorm and access to use the fire alarm in case of an emergency. Yet several students slept through the evacuation.

I commend those RA's who keyed into everyone's dorm and pulled the fire alarm to be sure everyone was out and going to a safe place. Those who left without making sure all the students were safe do not deserve credit for doing, "everything they could to get all the students out."

I do not want Tim Stank to mislead the Wilkes community into believing that Wilkes security and residence life handled this emergency perfectly well. People panicked, mistakes were made and people were left behind — the results could have been tragic.

Sincerely,

Glenda Race

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Idle Chatter

with Michael Butchko

"I want to go back, and do it all over, but I can't go back, I know;

I want to go back, 'cause I'm feelin' so much older, but I can't go back, I know."

This is the only time Eddie Money will lead off anything written in this column. Retirement is on the mind of the Chatter this week, or specifically persons who have retired only to return to their jobs. For most of society, retirement is something to look forward to. It means the end of a lifetime of work, and the beginning of a relaxing, reflective existence. Most people are thrilled to get away from the grind of the work place to hopefully live the rest of their lives on what money they have saved.

This week, however, one of the globe's more famous citizens decided to return to his job. Earvin "Magic" Johnson has made his second comeback from retirement as a player. This column refuses to mention Johnson's HIV positive status, because it poses no threat at all to those against whom he is playing. What does strike this columnist as interesting is that so many high profile people have been unable to stick to their retirement, and return to great fanfare. Not necessarily unanimous fanfare.

Hakeem Olajuwon, center for the Houston Rockets, remarked that when people make a decision, they should stick to it. Fine, Hakeem, but Johnson is not alone in his return to the spotlight. Michael Jordan had one of the most famous leaves of absence, and Ryne Sandberg of the Chicago Cubs has also decided to return to the diamond. Professional boxers of my youth such as Sugar Ray Leonard have retired multiple times, only to return to the ring. The Chatter has absolutely no idea why someone who was nearly rendered blind by boxing would want to box again. Even Johnson's return is slightly confounding. The man has a great deal of money, he has reached the pinnacle of his sport, and he continues to play on international barnstorming teams.

Perhaps Magic or Ryne or Michael felt they had unfinished business. Perhaps they realized that they should share their talents with the rest of the world while they were still capable. Or perhaps they just missed the game they love.

Frankly, friends and neighbors, I don't care why any of them are back. The Chatter has realized that the exuberance of youth classifies sports heroes as either good guys or bad guys. As a Mets and Celtics fan, I never really appreciated Sanberg's range at second base. I also disliked the "Showtime" Lakers of Magic Johnson, as well as Jordan and the Bulls. I'm happy that I get another chance to view these excellent athletes, even if they are only a fraction of what they once were. It's better than nothing.

That's all for now. We'll chat again next week.

Upcoming Campus Events for February 1 - February 8

Thursday, February 1

- University Learning Center "Note Taking" 11am-noon, 6-7 pm
- Valentine's Day Lollipop sale begins through Feb. 14

Friday, February 2

- Groundhog Day
- Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls, 7:30 pm, CPA

Saturday, February 3

- M B-ball-Moravian (H) 8 pm
- W B-ball-Moravian (A) 7 pm
- Wresting-Morgan St./ F & M (H) 12/2 pm

Sunday, February 4

• Wrestling-Seton Hall (A) 12 pm

Monday, February 5

• 1996- 1997 RA Applications due at RLO by 4:30 pm

Tuesday February 6

- OCC meeting-11 am SLC 380
- Pres. Breiseth meets with OCC, Chad & Rascal's, 24 Sheldon St., 9:30 pm
- CC Meeting-11:45 am SLC 204
- Amnicola meeting-noon, Hollenback Hall
- M B-ball King's College (A) 8:15 pm
- W B-Ball King's College (A) 6 pm
- Sweater sale, SLC lobby

Wednesday, February 7

- SG Meeting-6:30 pm
- Campus Interfaith Talk It Out- SUB basement, 5 pm
- Sweater sale, SLC lobby

Thursday, February 8

- IRHC meeting-11 am, SLC
- Alpha Experience -a virtual reality amusement ride, 2-8 pm, SLC lobby

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Historical Events

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1898- The last automobile insurance policy is issued to Dr. Truman J. Martin, protecting his automobile from damage caused by frightened horses.

1917- Germany begins unrestricted submarine warfare on all neutral and belligerent shipping.

1940- The last official network television broadcast in the U.S. is aired.

1970- Pope Paul VI reiterates teaching of priestly celibacy as a fundamental principle of the Roman Catholic Church.

1992- The end of the Cold War was proclaimed in Washington by U.S. President George Bush and President Boris Yeltsin of Russia.

Holidays

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Astute Observations

with John-Erik Koslosky

To many of us, the recent flood, or near-flood, as was the case near Wilkes University, already seems like old news.

Local residents and college students left their homes and dormitories early Saturday morning and returned later that day, exhaling with a sigh of relief. Wilkes-Barre had escaped another disaster, one that could have devastated the Wyoming Valley, Wilkes-Barre and Wilkes University inclusive, to an extent even greater than the infamous disaster of 1972.

I am certain there are many who have lived through the flood of '72 that will dispute this claim. Had the waters of the mighty Susquehanna flowed over the levee, it is likely the destruction would not have exceeded that in '72. Rebuilding the city of Wilkes-Barre; however, with little state or federal monies available, would be a virtually impossible task.

Old news, to any of us who live, plan to live or have a family living in this area is what the flood should not have become. The Wyoming Valley has and always will be vulnerable to disastrous flooding, and measures must be taken to reduce the risk of another large-scale disaster. We must face this issue head-on before most of us have forgotten the anxiety we went through waiting for the Susquehanna River to crest on that near-fateful Saturday. The following story only helps to illustrate this point.

During the fall semester of 1995, it was made aware to me that some of Wilkes University officials were concerned with the possible scenic effects of the levee-raising project in Wilkes-Barre. (For those not familiar with this proposed \$20 million-dollar-plus Luzerne County project, it will raise the levee in Wilkes-Barre by about 10 feet.)

At the time this information was disclosed to me, I was somewhat sympathetic to the University's officials' concerns. After all, the Susquehanna River Commons, is so close to campus, it might as well be a part of it. It provides students with a retreat from concrete and macadam. It is a place where students go to throw around a football or frisbee, or just lounge around on a beautiful spring afternoon. I have known a few professors who have elected to hold an occasional class on the grass in the shade of a big ol' oak tree.

The recent flood scare, however, has helped me to put these concerns of scenic damage into a different perspective. A less attractive area across from Stark Learning Center is a small price to pay for the insurance that Wilkes University will still be in Wilkes-Barre for many years to come.

The officials' concerns were not atypical, I'm sure. Although the scenic now seems a superficial concern and safety certainly seems the more important concern, feelings of fear will soon subside, and the now superficial concerns will once again become important.

This common forgetfulness of the people in this area may eventually lead to the ruin of the Wyoming Valley, and it may be here sooner than we think.



Beacon staff writers and story ideas are welcome. Do you like to write? Do you like to draw? Do you like to take pictures? If so, join the Beacon. Ext. 2962 We could use the help.

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Bell to Perform at Independence Day Celebration

By CHRISTINE GAYDOS Beacon Features Editor

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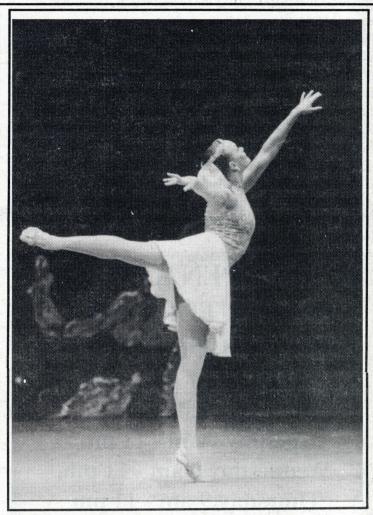
While many young girls participated in elementary jazz or ballet classes and had aspirations of some day becoming a dancer, few saw this dream become a reality. As tap shoes faded into childhood memories for many, Melanie Bell, sophomore biology major has continued to succeed as a devoted performer. She began dancing at age four and has not stopped since then. Even after being told by one of her first instructors that she would never succeed, Melanie found the strength and dedication to not only continue her career as a dancer, but to be the recipient of numerous awards and scholarships through the years. Just this past summer, Melanie was awarded the title, "Miss Starpower 1995.'

The road to this title was far from a simple journey. It was necessary to submit a video cassette of her performance ability, that was viewed along with hundreds of other entries by a panel of selected judges in New York City. Ten finalists were then chosen. Next, these dancers completed at the National Championships for Starpower in Ocean City, Maryland. While there, the finalists took part in an evening wear presentation and personal interview. When the final scores were tallied, Melanie had won the title, but she didn't know that this victory would later bring her the opportunity of a lifetime. The exposure from earning the national championship allowed Melanie to be considered for an experience far beyond her dreams.

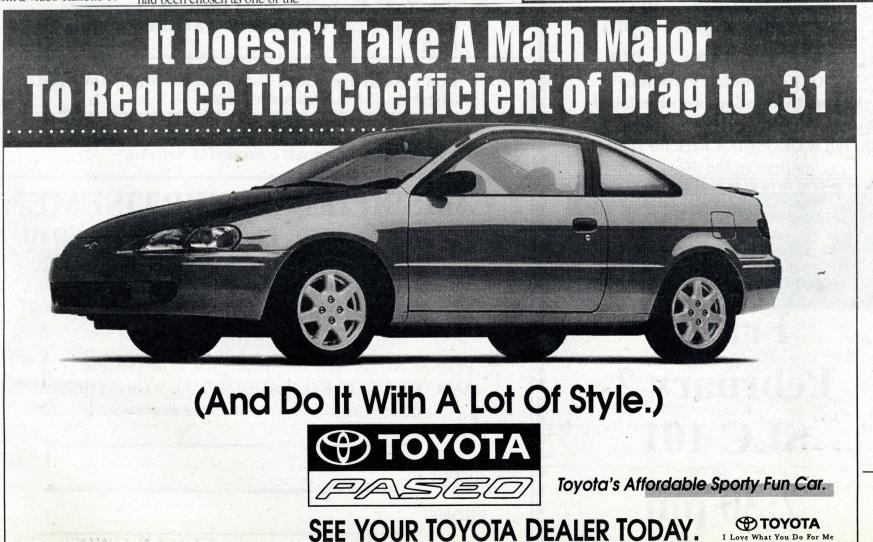
One evening last week, she received a telephone call from an instructor and choreographer, Ed Phelan from her studio "For Dancers Only" in New Jersey. He shared with Melanie that she had been chosen as one of the

premier dancers throughout the United States and was invited to perform at the Fifth Annual Jazz. Dance World Congress, being held this July Fourth at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. While in Washington D.C., Melanie will participate in several workshops and discussions on the history, present status and future direction of the jazz dance. She will attend several jazz dance concerts featuring companies from the Unites States, Finland, Holland, Japan, Canada, Korea and Puerto Rico.

Melanie is excited to be part of this glorious 4th of July celebration. Besides being chosen as one of the best dancers in the country, and having the opportunity to perform for the President of the United States, she says she is also looking forward to, "getting a chance to meet and watch other young dancers on the threshold of their careers."



Bell takes Miss Starpower 1995 title



Wilkes Prof Elected Pres

Wilkes-Barre— Dr. Louise M. Berard, of Conyngham, chair of the department of mathematics and computer science at Wilkes University, was recently elected president of the Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware Section (EPADEL) of the Mathematical Association of America (MAA).

EPADEL is the oldest of 22 sections of MAA, which is the professional organization devoted to university level mathematics. Delaware being elected president, Berard served as a member of the section's Executive Committee and as vice-president.

Berard received a B.S. Degree in Mathematics from King's College, Wilkes-Barre, and her Ph.D. in Mathematics from Brown University, Providence, RI. She is a member of the Mathematical Society, the Luzeme County Council of Teachers of Mathematics and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. She is a two-time recipient of Wilkes Outstanding Performance Award, and was the 1988 recipient of the Carpenter Outstanding Teacher Award at Wilkes University.

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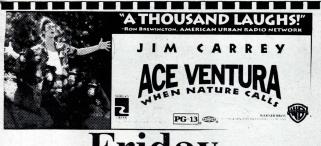
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Friday

February 2 SLC 101

7:30 pm

Campus Paperback Bestsellers

- 1. The Calvin And Hobbes Tenth Anniversary Book, by Bill Watterson. (Andrews & McMeel, \$14.95) Cartoons.
- 2. Chicken Soup For the Soul, by Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen. (Health Communications, \$12.00) Stories for the heart and spirit.
- 3. Snow Falling On Cedars, by David Guterson. (Vintage,\$12.00) A trial leads to memories of Japanese-American internment.
- 4. The Lottery Winner, by Mary Higgins Clark. (Pocket, \$6.99) Short stories featuring Sleuth Alvirah Meehan.
- 5. Having Our Say, by Sarah L. Delany and A. Elizabeth Delany with Amy Hill Hearth. (Dell, \$5.99) Reflections by two black sisters.
- 6. The Christmas Box, by Richard Paul Evans. (Evans Publishers Distr. Ctr., (\$4.95) Young family moves in with elderly widow.
- 7. The Stone Diaries, by Carol Shields. (Penguin, \$10.95) A woman's life from childhood through old age.
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Taurus (April 20- May 20)
Sometimes it is difficult to tell who is being honest with you.
Let your good judgement guide you, and all will be well.

Gemini (*May 21- June 21*) Live life to the fullest. Remember that you only get one chance. Don't set yourself up for regret.

Cancer (June 22-July 22) It's time to admit that you can't take care of everything yourself. Rely on your close friends to see you through.

Leo (July 23- August 22) You have many questions about the world around you. Seek spiritual guidance you need. You may find more than you imagined. Virgo (August 23- September 22) Go to the extra mile for that special person in your life. You may be busy but a little sensitivity will keep the peace.

Libra (September 23- October 23) Let music be your therapy. Put on your favorite CD and give yourself a well-deserved break before stress levels get dangerously high.

Scorpio (October 24- November 21) It's time to think about your health. Break some bad habits while picking up some new, better ones. It's never too late.

Sagittarius (November 22-December 21) Let you-knowwho that they have crossed the line for the last time. There is only so much you should have to take.

Capricorn (December 22-January 19) Romance is right around the corner. Don't fretthey'll love you no matter what. Finally your dreams come true. Aquarius (January 20- February 18) Don't let a misunderstanding ruin your relationship with roomates. Tell them the whole truth and they'll understand.

Pisces (February 19- March 20) You don't have the attitude problem- that certain someone just doesn't understand your sense of humor. Keep your head up.

Born This Week: Everything is going to fall into place, but it will take some effort. Relationships will take some extra attention, but it will all come naturally.

Consider This...

"Clear conscience never fears midnight knocking."
• Chinese Proverb

"The story of love is hello and goodbye...until we meet again."

• Jimi Hendrix

"Happiness is having a scratch for every itch."
•Ogden Nash

"The greater the obstacle, the more the glory in overcoming."
•Moliere

"We need 4 hugs for survival. We need 8 hugs a day for maintenance. We need 12 a day for growth."

•Virginia Satir

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•The office of Volunteer Services announces an addition to its services to students. A RIDE BOARD has been placed outside the Pickering Cafeteria by Residence Life.

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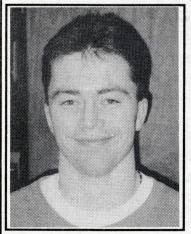
We now have a volunteer hotline, by dialing extension 5905 you can find out the latest community service opportunities. We also have a homepage! Check us out the next time you are at the computer lab.

•The VISION Homeless Shelter will be on campus Monday, February 5 through Monday, February 12. The office of the Volunteer Services is in need of student groups and/or individuals to help serve meals to the clients of the shelter every night. We need groups of five to eight people to help each night for about an hour and a half. If interested, please contact Amy Mazur at 831-5904.

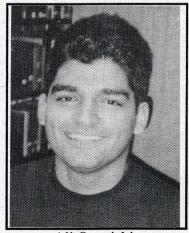
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Roving Reporter with Meghan LaVigna

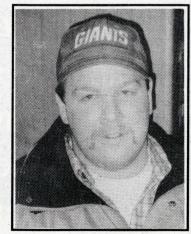
How do you feel about the outcome of the Superbowl?



Sean Gorman
"I think O'Donnell was cheated on the MVP Award."



Ali Querishi
"At least it wasn't over after
the first half."



Mike Burns
"I think the Giants were cheated out of a win."



Ann Blascik
"The Friends episode afterwards was awesome!"



Kristine Erhard
"It's possible that somebody
paid O'Donnel off."

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Colonels excel during major road test

By MICHAEL NOONE Beacon Sportswriter

The Wilkes University Colonels traveled to Madison, New Jersey this past Saturday to take on the FDU-Madison Jersey-Devils. Wilkes was victorious, 72-56, in the first of three road games over a five day period. The Colonels were led by Matt LaBuda with 23 points and Jason Turner with 22 points. Wilkes improved to 13-1 on the year and a perfect 5-0 in the Middle Atlantic Conference. The loss dropped the Jersey Devils to 5-12 on the year and 1-5 in the MAC.

The Jersey Devils had an early 14-9 lead until the Colonels exploded on an 18-0 run that broke the spirit of the FDU-Madison squad. LaBuda led the Colonels with 11 points, including three three-pointers, during the run. Wilkes held a 35-27 lead at halftime on their way to their fifth consecutive win.

LaBuda's 23-point performance is even more impressive when you consider that he has been suffering with a back injury for the past three weeks. LaBuda developed the deep muscle bruise in practice after colliding with a teammate. The injury didn't impact LaBuda's notorious perimeter shooting, as the senior set a school record with nine three-point field goals in one game, scored his 1,000th career point, and hit the gamewinning and game-tying free throws against Lycoming since being injured.

The injury did, however, have a negative effect on LaBuda's defense and rebounding. LaBuda was able to practice at full speed for the first time since the injury on the Thursday before the FDU-Madison game.

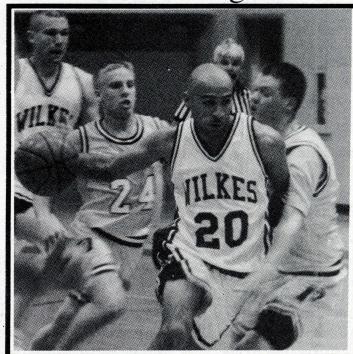
Sophomore point guard Jay Williams has also been hampered by an injury. Williams missed the FDU-Madison game with a sprained ankle suffered in practice and is not expected King's game on February 6.

the Long Center on the University of Scranton campus this past Monday to take on the rival Royals. Senior Jason Turner dominated the Royals. Turner posted 24 points and pulled down 17 rebounds in the Wilkes victory. Chris Parker led the Colonels with 26 points.

The Royals did not have a player that could match-up with the six-foot-seven, 220-pound Turner. "Jason really stepped it up against the Royals," said assistant coach Matt McCaffrey. McCaffrey also stressed that with only three weeks left in the regular season, the Colonels have to be at their best for the stretch run.

Wilkes traveled to Division II Caldwell College Wednesday night in what was an excellent non-conference test for Wilkes. "They are tough inside," said assistant coach McCaffrey. "They have done well against common opto return until possibly the ponents. They play a similar style and match-up well with The Colonels traveled to us. We expect a tough game."

Chris cuts through traffic



Chris Parker can push the action on the road as well as at home. Against Scranton, Parker exploded in the second half, and finished the game with 26 points. photo by Eric Morinello

The Colonels received a tough game, with multiple lead changes in the fast-paced action. But the Colonels were up to the task, winning by a score of 76-68. Chris Parker led the Colonels with 36 points, a team

high for the season. Jason

Turner added 16 points and 11 strong boards for Wilkes, now 15-1 on the season.

Wilkes returns home this Saturday to face the Moravian College Greyhounds. The Colonels knocked Moravian out of the MAC playoffs last year.

Wrestling team improves upon record despite setbacks

By MICHAEL BUTCHKO Beacon Sports Editor

The Wilkes University wrestling team suffered two losses this past weekend after a two-match winning streak. The Colonels fell both Army and Rutgers in New Jersey by scores of 24-10 and 32-7, respectively.

Earlier this month, Wilkes wrestled Boston University with a depleted squad and was shut out. The next day, the Colonels defeated Boston College, also in Boston. A 49-13 win lone seniors on the squad. over Chevney St. Last Wednesseason.

The Rutgers match saw Wilkes wins from Freshman Chris Rebels at 118 pounds on a 3-0 decision, as well as senior Aaron Wurster at heavy weight on an 11-3 decision.

Against Army, senior Ally Sleiman won a 14-5 decision at 150 pounds. Senior Dave Habowski won a 3-1 decision at 177 pounds, while Aaron Wurster finished the day undefeated with a 4-3 decision at heavy weight. Sleiman, Habowski, and Wurster are the

This weekend, Wilkes will day night gave the Colonels host Morgan State and Franklin their first connective wins this and Marshall starting at 12:00.

Will the Colonels go Greyhound? Or is it time to take Moravian to the dog track? The revolution is 15-1, and we are your first source. Saturday, February 3, Colonels vs. Greyhounds. Pre-game at 7:50 on 90.7 WCLH: You need not go anywhere else.

Colonels' Scoreboard for the Week

WRESTLING (3-8 overall)

Results: Saturday (27th): 32-7 Loss to Rutgers 24-10 Loss to Army

February:

Upcoming Schedule: Saturday (3rd): @ Home vs. Morgan St./ Franklin and Marshall 12:00/2:00

Sunday (4th): at Seton Hall 12:00

Saturday (10th):

at Rider 7:00

WOMEN'S
BASKETBALL
(5-10 overall;
4-4 MAC)

Saturday (27th): 58-56 Loss to FDU-Madison*

Monday (29th): 74-37 Scranton *

February:

Upcoming Schedule: Thursday (1st): Ithaca @ Home 7:00

Saturday (3rd):

at Moravian 7:00

Tuesday (6th): at King's 6:00 *

Saturday (10th): @ Home vs. Drew 1:00 *

Monday (12th): at Albright 7:00



MEN'S
BASKETBALL
(15-1 overall;

6-0 MAC)

Saturday (27th): 72-56 Loss to FDU-Madison*

Monday (29th): 89-72 Win over Scranton *

Wednesday (31st): 76-68 Win over Caldwell College

February:

Upcoming Schedule: Saturday (3rd): @ Home vs.Moravian 8:00

Tuesday (6th): at King's 8:15 *

Saturday (10th): @ Home vs. Drew 3:00 *

* MAC Freedom League Games



All this year,

90.7 WCLH

has been at the games.

Where have you been?

Thursday, February 1, the Lady Colonels play Ithaca.

Get to the game

and bring your headphones for the 6:50 broadcast.

90.7 WCLH: Your source for Wilkes sports.

Beacon Sports <u>Flashback</u> February 3, 1956

§ The Wilkes College men's basketball team defeated the University of Bridgeport 82-76. Carl Van Dyke lead the team in scoring with 29 points.

§ The undefeated wrestling team was set to meet Bloomsburg State Teaching College. Wilkes was coming off upset wins over highly ranked Lafeyette and Hofstra.

§ Both the intramural basketball league and bowling leagues had reached their midseason points.

"Sports Quote of the Week"

Magic Johnson, announcing his comeback:

"It's on. No matter who says what, no matter what happens, I'm in this all the way."

Women's team overcomes adversity

Team hoping for more fan support

By MICHAEL BUTCHKO

Beacon Sports Editor

It has been a season of obstacles for the Wilkes University Lady Colonels, and of a home court advantage. At the end of 1995, the team had a 2-3 overall record, and was 1-1 in the MAC Freedom League.

A New Year's trip to the Bahamas may have produced a nice change of climate, but on the surface, the results were disastrous for Wilkes. Lee Ann Azarewicz injured her knee, and will miss the rest of the season. Furthermore, the team suffered three losses by an average margin of 25 points.

eventually goes away and 'eaves a nice tan, the Bahanas trip did have some posiive side effects. The margin of defeat is misleading because of the level of competiand Briar Cliff (a 90-49 loss) are NAIA schools, and Defi- was now 5-6 on the year. ance College (a 77-54 loss) is in Division III.

rather play good teams than Colonels 79-66. meaningless games."

Wilkes entered the game at 2-6 while King's had a 7-4 cord. Wilkes limited the otent King's offense to only) first-half points, well bestent in the second half and feated King's by a 56-45

game losing streak.

score. Rebecca Baker rained 18 nels traveled to the John Long points, grabbed 16 rebounds, and Center in Scranton to face the blocked four shots. Kristen powerful Lady Royals. Scranton Cookus added 16 points, as the controlled play from the outset, Lady Colonels broke their three- and ran out to a 38-17 halftime lead. When it was over, The next game at Drew Uni-Scranton's Jen Nish tallied 34 the team may not have much versity saw another Lady Colo-points for a 74-37 blowout vicnel victory, as Wilkes edged tory. Baker was the lone bright Drew 59-57 to compile a modest spot for the Colonels, scoring 17 two-game winning streak. Three points and grabbing 11 boards.

> "These kids have a lot of heart and emotion, and they've been overachieving all year."

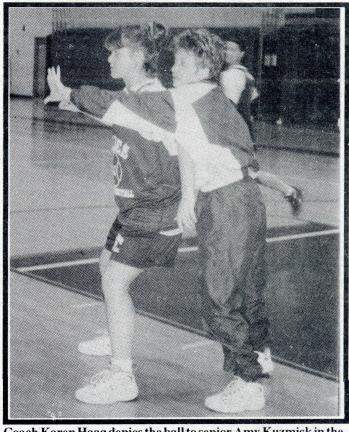
> > -- Coach Karen Haag

Much like a sunburn that days later, the team easily de- Coach Haag is impressed with tion the team played. Both blocks and six steals. Kristen better." Holy Family (a 70-59 loss) Cookus chipped in with eight

feated Delaware Valley College Baker's level of play. "Rebecca 61-45, in a game which saw 22 has taken a huge portion of the points from Jaime Land. burden of scoring on her shoul-Rebecca Baker earned another ders. She has always done what double-double, with 10 points to is asked, and the scary thing about go with 13 rebounds, plus four her is that she's just going to get

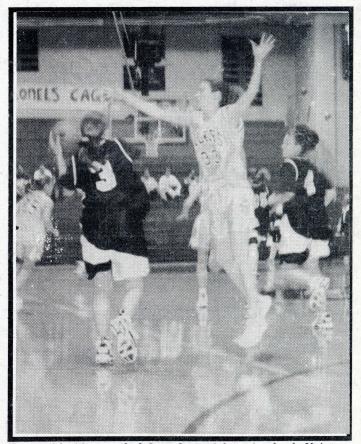
Compounding the adversity points and nine boards. Wilkes facing the squad is what some perceive to be a lack of support Once again, fortunes began by students and administrators. the number one ranked team to turn for the Lady Colonels. Sources close to the team re-Marywood College defeated mark that playing in front of Coach Karen Haag says Wilkes 67-59, overshadowing sparse crowds has been disthat the Bahamas trip "pre- Baker's 19 points and 15 re- heartening to the team, and atpared us for league play. It bounds. Lycoming came to tendance figures for single will definitely help us down Wilkes in a battle for second women's games (such as 140 the stretch because we played place in the MAC Freedom people at the Marywood game) tough competition. We'd League and defeated the Lady support the claim. This is a team similar to last year's, which en-This past weekend, the team ergized fans with their hustle The Lady Colonels had suffered two more losses at the and intensity. Because of key one week upon their return hands of MAC Freedom League injuries, the record may not be as from the Bahamas to prepare opponents. FDU-Madison de-impressive, but the level of comfor the King's College game. feated the Lady Colonels 58-56 petition and the amount of injuon Melissa Francisco's two free ries make this year's mark even throws with 12 seconds remain- more substantial. Coach Haag ing. Rebecca Baker scored 15 sums up her 1995-96 squad in points and grabbed 12 rebounds, this manner: "These kids have a while Jaime Land hit for 14 lot of heart and emotion, and w the Monarchs' 34-point points, with 12 of those coming they've been overachieving all rerage. Wilkes stayed confrom four three-point field goals. year." The few of us who have On Monday, the Lady Colo-seen this team would be quick to agree.

Get it to Kuzmick



Coach Karen Haag denies the ball to senior Amy Kuzmick in the low post during a Wednesday morning practice. The Lady Colonels are at .500 in the MAC Freedom League.

Cookus with the "D"



Even with 14 seconds left and an eight-point lead, Kristen Cookus continues to play swarming defense. Fans have not yet responded to the team's intensity with their attendance.